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**Hampden Meadows Elementary School**



**Introduction**

Hampden Meadows Elementary School is a public elementary school serving students in grades four and five within the Barrington School District.

Located at 297 New Meadow Rd in Barrington, RI, Hampden Meadows Elementary School may be contacted via telephone at (401) 247-3166, or at the following website: <http://www3.barringtonschools.org/HMS/default.aspx>.

This contact statement will provide detailed information around the district, the community background, and the actual school’s performance. Prospective or current students, parents and educators will benefit from this analysis, as it provides a comprehensive overview of how Hampden Meadows is serving the students in the community.

**Community Background**

Barrington, RI is a small, tight knit community in Bristol County, RI, which is also comprised of Bristol and Warren. Located 9 miles SE of Providence, RI and 44 miles south of Boston, MA, Barrington spans almost 16 square miles; water comprises nearly 7 square miles, and no point is more than two miles from salt water. Barrington is home to a Town Beach, an abundance of parks and nature preserves, and offers its residents a plethora of activities to keep them engaged and invested in the community. The community is meticulously maintained, the city’s center is tastefully decorated for each season, and there is an abundance of quaint, local businesses throughout the town. Out of 37 RI communities that report crime data to the FBI, Barrington ranked 32nd in violent crimes, and in July, 2005, CNN Money and Money magazine ranked Barrington #6 on its list of 100 best places to live in the US.

Barrington has the distinction of being among one of the wealthier towns in the United States, The median household income in Barrington is $98,612; this figure nearly doubles that of Rhode Island, at $55,975, and the United States as a whole, at $52, 762. In turn, the percent of children living in families below poverty level in Barrington is 2.8%, which is significantly lower than the state average of 31%.

The population in Barrington is homogeneous, with white’s comprising 93.5% of the town’s population; white’s account for 81.4% of the population in Rhode Island, and 72.4% of the population in the United States.

Statistically, the quality of life for children in Barrington is favored; the infant mortality rate in Barrington is 0%, while Rhode Island’s average is 6.5%. 13% of children in Barrington came from single-parent families, versus 31% of children in Rhode Island. In addition, the teen birthrate in Barrington is 4%, while the Rhode Island sits at 25.5%.



**District Summary**

**School Analysis**

The students of Hampden Meadows have demonstrated an elevated level of proficiency on standardized test scores, when compared to other students within the state. On NECAP Assessments, fourth graders at Hampden Meadows scored 85% in math, 91% in reading, and 78% in science. At Silver Spring Elementary School, in East Providence, students scored 40% in math, 61% in reading, and 65% in science. Veteran Memorial Elementary in Central Falls, students scored 37% in math, 40% in reading, and 16% in science.

At Hampden Meadows, 2% of students receive ESL/Bilingual Education Services, while 36% of students receive these services at Veteran’s Memorial Elementary. Chronic absenteeism is minimal at Hampden Meadows, at 4%, while the rate is expediently higher at Veteran’s Memorial at 19%.

**Conclusion**

**References**